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SUBJECT: PARAGUAY'S END USE MONITORING REPORT

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Asuncion's end use monitoring report providing information on Paraguay's inventory of INL-donated equipment as of January 31, 2005 is as follows.

Resources

The INL program in Asuncion provides computer equipment and software, training courses, and operational equipment to the National Anti-Drug Secretariat (SENAD). INL has also purchased computer and office equipment, software, and security equipment to the Financial Analysis Unit (SEPRELAD) to assist in anti-money laundering programs. In support of the new IPR initiative, INL has purchased computer and office equipment as well as operational equipment for the Ministry of Industry and Commerce. Thus far, no purchases have been made for the Ministry of Women in support of the Trafficking in Persons program.

Procedures

The INL program assistant verified the SENAD inventory report through a variety of methods including on-site inspection of local facilities; review of SENAD's in-house written inventory; and inspection of commodities by DEA special agents and country attache. The status of commodities located in the outlying areas was verified by post's review of SENAD's written inventory and through frequent inspections by DEA personnel.

Status

All items were provided to SENAD, SEPRELAD, and the specialized investigations unit of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce. In addition, the Government of Paraguay (GOP) maintains INL-provided commodities in several field locations including Ybyturu and Lima (radio equipment), Ciudad del Este, Mariscal Estigarribia, and Pedro Juan Caballero.

Vehicles

Fourteen vehicles ranging in model years from 1996 to 2001 are currently in use by SENAD for operational and interdiction purposes. Also, four motorcycles and two boats with outboard motors and trailers are in use.

Detector Dogs

INL funds support the detector dog program, which employs ten dogs. INL funding provides veterinary care, food, new dogs, uniforms, training supplies and maintenance of the kennels and vehicles used to transport the canines and guides. The canine units are housed in kennels located at the International Airport, in Pedro Juan Caballero and Ciudad del Este. In 2004, the canines seized 92 kilograms of cocaine and 176 kilograms of marijuana, primarily through interdiction operations in the Chaco and the northern part of the country.

Communications Equipment

All communications equipment was accounted for and most is in good condition.

Miscellaneous Equipment

The office and computer equipment are in good to excellent condition, except for the following items that are in fair condition: desk computers (2), refrigerator, filing cabinet, and desk. Two printers are inoperable. New computers and

LAN computers were purchased for the SENAD-FIU and SEPRELAD this past year, but with OTA funds.

Problems

We have not encountered any issues with maintenance, resource management, or staffing.

Impact

All equipment and material go to support SENAD, SEPRELAD, the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, and the Ministry of Women to support INL-funded programs. For SENAD, the communications equipment, vehicles, and canine program are aimed at bolstering the interdiction effort and operational capabilities. Assistance to SEPRELAD is focused on enhancing their investigations capabilities through the provision of technical equipment and software as well as providing training. For the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, the bulk of our assistance is dedicated to helping the IPR unit increase their ability to conduct operations through the purchase of surveillance equipment, vehicles, and operational support. For the Ministry of Women, our support will be used primarily to purchase computer and office equipment, to support the development of a TIP contact network, for providing training, and to construct space needed for a rehabilitation center.

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